

# 't Hooft anomaly of charge- $q$ Schwinger model in the Hamiltonian formalism

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## Motivation

- New 't Hooft anomalies have been found in recent studies.
- It is based on Euclidean path integral.

⇒ What about the Hamiltonian formalism?

*This is the basic setup in quantum simulators.*

- Toy example: charge- $q$  Schwinger model
  - $\mathbb{Z}_q$  1-form symmetry  $\times \mathbb{Z}_{2q}$  chiral symmetry as  $m_\psi \rightarrow 0$ .
  - Anomaly matching claims  $(\mathbb{Z}_{2q})_X \xrightarrow{SSB} (\mathbb{Z}_2)_F$ .
  - This is exactly solved.

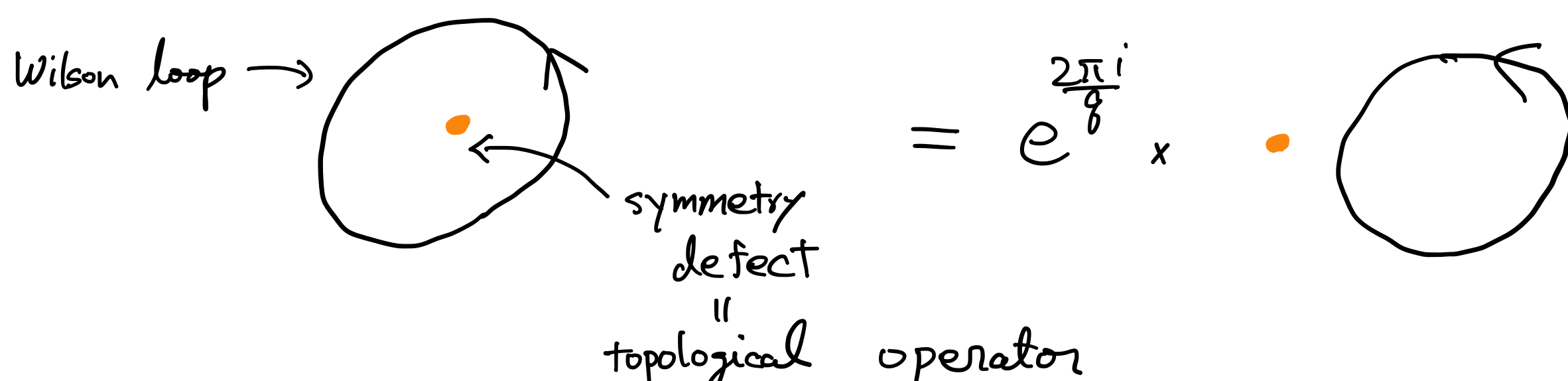
## Charge- $q$ Schwinger model

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\Psi} \gamma^\mu (\partial_\mu + i q a_\mu) \Psi + m \bar{\Psi} \Psi + \frac{1}{g^2} da \wedge * da + i \frac{\theta}{2\pi} da$$

$q$ : some integer  $\geq 1$ .

This model has  $\mathbb{Z}_q$  1-form symmetry

$$W(C) = e^{i \oint_C a} \mapsto e^{\frac{2\pi i}{q}} W(C)$$



## Chiral symmetry & mixed 't Hooft anomaly

Under the chiral transformation

$$\psi \rightarrow e^{i\alpha \gamma_3} \psi, \quad \bar{\psi} \rightarrow \bar{\psi} e^{i\alpha \gamma_3}$$

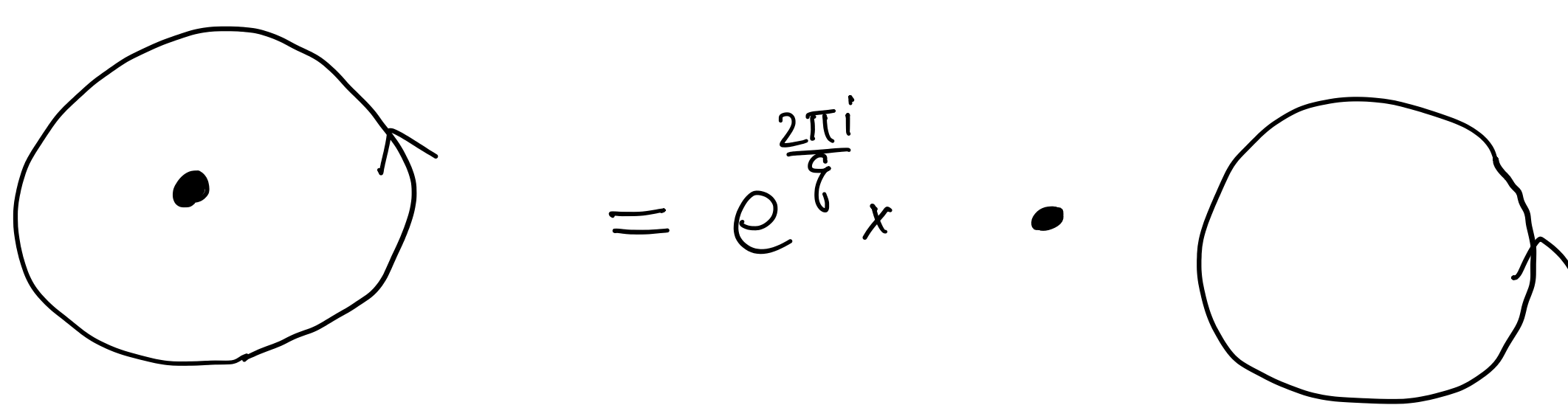
the  $\theta$ -term is shifted:

$$\theta \rightarrow \theta + 2\alpha \times q$$

If  $q > 1$  w/  $m=0$ , there is a nontrivial chiral sym:

$$(\mathbb{Z}_{2q})_{\text{chiral}}$$

Anomaly  $\bullet \approx \bar{\psi} \psi$  (chiral operator)



⇒ In  $m \rightarrow 0$ , Wilson loop  $\approx$  Chiral symmetry generator.

## Hamiltonian formalism

$$H = \frac{g^2}{2} (\Pi(x) - \frac{\theta}{2\pi})^2 - \bar{\Psi} i \gamma^1 (\partial_1 + i q a_1) \Psi + m \bar{\Psi} \Psi$$

$\uparrow$  conjugate momentum of  $a_1(x)$ .

Gauss law:

$$\partial_1 \Pi = q \bar{\Psi} \gamma^0 \Psi$$

## $\mathbb{Z}_q$ 1-form symmetry

- Symmetry generator  $U(x) = \exp(\frac{2\pi i}{q} \Pi(x))$ .

(\*)  $T(x) = U(x)^q$  is the large gauge transformation

$$\Rightarrow U(x)^q | \text{phys} \rangle = | \text{phys} \rangle$$

- Wilson loop = modification of the Gauss law

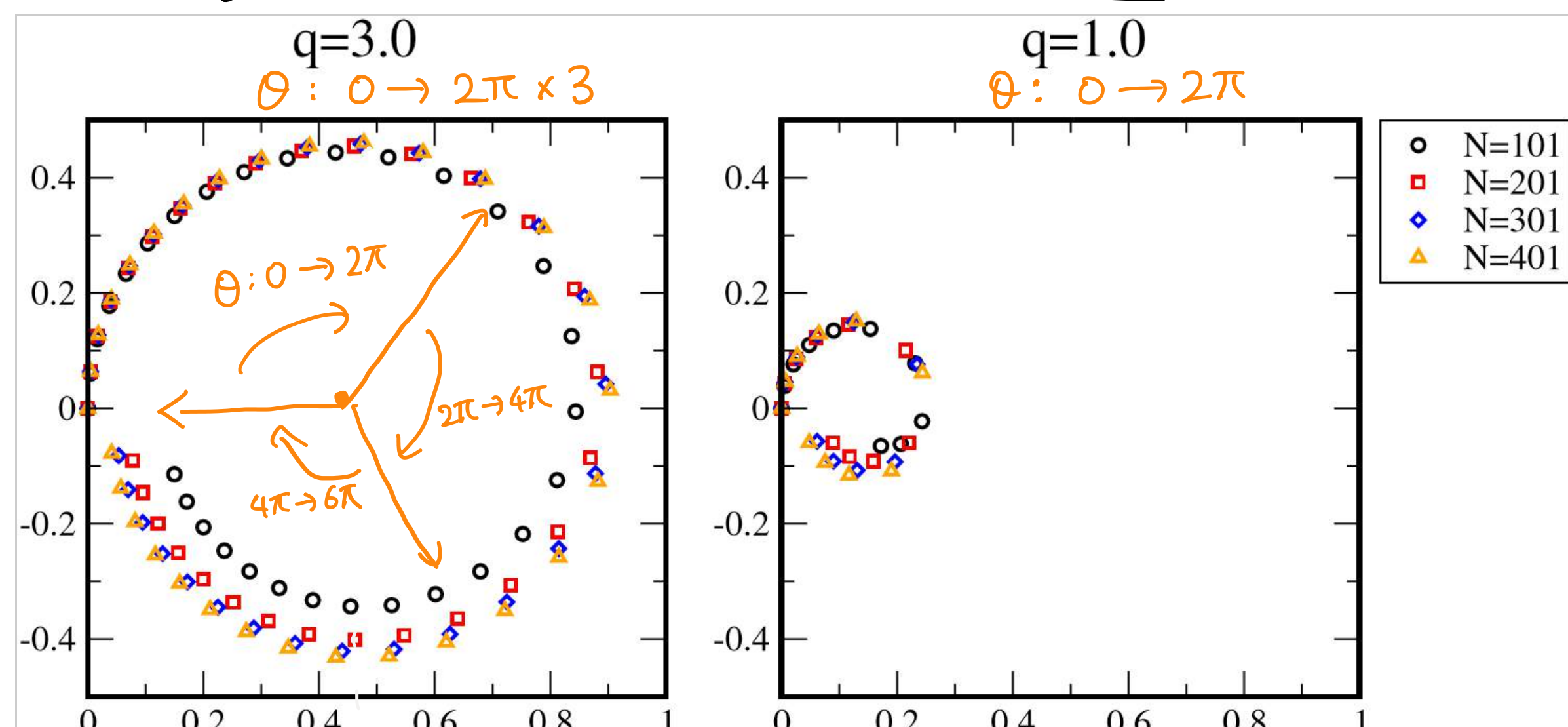
$$\partial_1 \Pi = q \bar{\Psi} \gamma^0 \Psi + n(\delta(x-L) - \delta(x))$$

## Expectation from Anomaly & Preliminary Results

$$\langle \text{chiral op} \rangle = \# e^{i\theta} \quad \# e^{i\theta} \times e^{i \frac{2\pi}{q} \theta} \quad \# e^{i\theta} \quad x \quad \left( \text{when } \frac{m}{q} \rightarrow 0 \right)$$

$x=0 \qquad \qquad \qquad x=L$

(Preliminary result w/ DMRG (uniform  $\theta$  without Wilson loop insertions))



## Summary

- Charge- $q$  Schwinger model has  $\mathbb{Z}_q^{[1]} \times (\mathbb{Z}_{2q})_X$  in  $m \rightarrow 0$  with mixed 't Hooft anomaly.
- This feature has been understood using Euclidean path integral.
- We reinterpret some of these in Hamiltonian formalism.